LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-11.   (Canceled)

12.   (Previously Presented) A method for controlling a speed of a vehicle, comprising:

when an actual speed of the vehicle exceeds a predefined setpoint speed by more than a first predefined speed difference, activating a service brake of the vehicle, wherein the first predefined speed difference has a value greater than zero; and

wherein in the case of the actual speed of the vehicle exceeding the predefined setpoint speed, preventing activation of the service brake if the actual speed of the vehicle exceeds the predefined setpoint speed by less than the first predefined speed difference.

13.   (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 12, further comprising deactivating the service brake when the actual speed drops below the setpoint speed again.

14.   (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 12, further comprising, when the actual speed exceeds the setpoint speed, reducing first a torque request of a driving speed control.

Claims 15-22 (Canceled).